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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Takaaki INOUE et al.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 28, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **April 30, 2003**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE DRAWINGS:

The drawings are objected to as failing to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(p)(4) because reference character "9" has been used to designate both "analysis means" and "selection means" on page 29, line 9 of the specification.

The specification on page 29, line 9 has been appropriated amended, thus rendering the objection to the drawings moot.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.